GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3562
ANSWERED ON:17.04.2000
TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN ANDHRA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Andhra Pradesh State is poised to have the largest number of telephone connections in the country very soon ;

(b) whether at present, Maharashtra is leading in Telephone connections;

(c) if so, the comparative details in both States, district-wise ;

(d) the number of telephone connections provided in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years till date, district wise;

(e) the number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in the State at present, district-wise;

(f) the steps taken by the Government to clear the waiting list ; g) whether all the villages have been provided telphone facility in the State; and h) if not, the time by which the said facility is likely to be provided ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (h) : A statement is laid on the Table of the House.
STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF PARAS (a) TO (h) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3562 FOR 17th APR REGARDING TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

a),b) & c) At present Maharashtra state has the maximum number of telephone connections in the country with 44.16 lakh telephone connections while Andhra Pradesh has 22.2 lakh telephone connections. The growth rate of telephone connections recorded during 1999-2000 in Andhra Pradesh was 41.66% where as in Maharashtra the growth rate was 16.91%. Comparetive details of both states, district-wise are given in Annexure-IA and Annexure-IB.

d) The details for the telephone connections provided during last three years in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise is given in Annexure-II.

e) The number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in the State, district-wise is given in Annexure-III.

f) Telephone exchanges are being expanded and new exchangess are being opened to clear the waiting-list progressively by March, 2001.

g) & h) No, Sir. Out of 29460 villages, 23370 have been provided with telephone facility. Remaining 6081 villages will be covered progressively by March, 2002.

ANNEXURE-IA

ANDHRA PRADESH

DISTRICT-WISE TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS AS ON 31-3-2000

S.NO.	NAME OF DISTRICT	TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS
1	ADILABAD	42706
2	ANANTHAPUR	74901
3	CHITTOOR	93835
4	CUDDAPAH	53779
5	EAST GODAVARI	132026
6	GUNTUR	130042
7	HYDERABAD	611226
8	KARIMNAGAR	74901
9	KHAMMAM	60413
10	KRISHNA	165177
11	KURNOOL	70822

12	MAHABOOBNAGAR	43009
13	MEDAK	45563
14	NALGONDA	61043
15	NELLORE	64095
16	NIZAMABAD	57484
17	PRAKASHAM	55459
18	RANGAREDDY	31927
19	SRIKAKULAM	28647
20	VISAKHAPATNAM	121354
21	VIZIANAGARAM	29869
22	WARANGAL	56708
23	WEST GODAVARI	122501

TOTAL 2227487

ANNEXURE-IB

MAHARASHTRA

STATUS OF TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS AS ON 31-3-2000

S.NO.	NAME OF SSA/DISTRICT	TELEPHONE CONNECTION
1	AHMEDNAGAR	91086
2	AKOLA INCLUDING VASHIM	45744
3	AMRAVATI	49969
4	AURANGABAD	73139
5	BEED	21920
6	BHANDARA INCLUDING GONDIA	26240
7	BULDANA	27973
8	CHANDRAPUR	33245
9	DHULE INCLUDING NANDURBAR	42274
10	GADCHIROLI	5506
11	JALGAON	75720
12	JALNA	16045
13	KALAYAN	283471
14	KOLHAPUR	119693
15	LATUR	32518
16	NAGPUR	150031
17	NANDED	38865
18	NASHIK	154222
19	OSMANABAD	17490
20	PARBHANI INCLUDING HINGOLI	25574
21	PUNE	461429
22	RAIGAD	68194
23	RATNAGIRI	39581
24	SANGLI	98642
25	SATARA	65486
26	SINDHUDURG	18524
27	SOLAPUR	71359
28	WARDHA	23309
29	YEOTMAL	25196
30	MUMBAI	2213388

TOTAL 4415833

ANNEXURE-II

THE NUMBER OF TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS PROVIDED IN ANDHRA PRADESH DURING LAST THREE YEARS DISTR WISE

S.NO.	NAME OF DISTRICT	TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS PROVIDED

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
1 ADILABAD	7679	8008	12347
2 ANANTHAPUR	7282	15508	27413
3 CHITTOOR	8608	21048	31009
4 CUDDAPAH	4563	11517	19020
5 EAST GODAVARI	13027	20440	45036
6 GUNTUR	11365	23072	39153
7 HYDERABAD	47020	95077	126196
8 KARIMNAGAR	11007	16900	25884
9 KHAMMAM	4048	15032	21685
10 KRISHNA	16068	24809	40259
11 KURNOOL	8155	12270	23144
12 MAHABOOBNAGAR	3941	7405	15333
13 MEDAK	4500	8100	12956
14 NALGONDA	7497	13560	22426
15 NELLORE	9098	13505	22502
16 NIZAMABAD	7742	11500	22542
17 PRAKASHAM	9002	11533	10948
18 RANGAREDDY	2428	6978	20577
19 SRIKAKULAM	2069	5756	11022
20 VISAKHAPATNAM	12022	23754	30319
21 VIZIANAGARAM	3490	4772	10484
22 WARANGAL	2900	7514	22604
23 WEST GODAVARI	12976	26922	42229
TOTAL	216487	404980	655088

ANNEXURE-III
ANDHRA PRADESH

DISTRICT-WISE WAITING LIST AS ON 31-3-2000

S.NO.	NAME OF DISTRICT	WAITING LIST
1	ADILABAD	7314
2	ANANTHAPUR	8709
3	CHITTOOR	31949
4	CUDDAPAH	15607
5	EAST GODAVARI	24685
6	GUNTUR	17250
7	HYDERABAD	45774
8	KARIMNAGAR	25661
9	KHAMMAM	15109
10	KRISHNA	14278
11	KURNOOL	7417
12	MAHABOOBNAGAR	12819
13	MEDAK	11796
14	NALGONDA	27175
15	NELLORE	13268
16	NIZAMABAD	9436
17	PRAKASHAM	9241
18	RANGAREDDY	14269
19	SRIKAKULAM	3360
20	VISAKHAPATNAM	23261
21	VIZIANAGARAM	1986
22	WARANGAL	25011
23	WEST GODAVARI	11683
TOTAL		377058